Quality of Treatment in AIIMS

1272. SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that AIIMS has failed in providing quality treatment despite it being a specialized referral hospital of national importance;

(b) whether it is also a fact that patients are being deprived of quality time in diagnosis, treatment and medical care in AIIMS due to large shortages in the cadre of doctors and nurses; and

(c) what measures Government propose to take to provide quality treatment to the patients in AIIMS?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) to (c) All India Institute of Medical Sciences is providing every medical care to emergency or general ward patients who come for treatment at the AIIMS. The hospital provides round the clock emergency services and are manned by specialized doctors at the level of Senior Resident and Consultants. This emergency services is equipped with all the diagnostic and therapeutic facilities. The hospitals has got best possible state of art diagnostic facilities. There are inbuilt practice for Infection control, review of cases of death and internal system of grievance redressal are some major steps for providing quality care to the patients who attend the AIIMS Hospital. The Institute is maintaining the required number of doctors, nurses and other staff to maintain optimal level of patient care services. The Institute is also making efforts to increase the infrastructure facilities keeping in view the work load.

Improving Health Infrastructure and Medical Education

1273. SHRIMATI HEMA MALINI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that there is need to improve country's health infrastructure and quality medical education;

(b) where any institution have been earmarked through which Government intend to process with the health education;

(c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(d) whether any financial allocation has been made for health education?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) Yes. The Government is aware that there is need to improve health infrastructure and has undertaken various initiatives to do the same for primary health care under National Rural Health Mission [NRHM].

As far as quality medical education is concerned, Central Government is responsible for regulation and maintenance of medical education standard as per Indian Medical Council [IMC], Act 1956. Improvement of medical education standard is an on going process.

(b) to (d) The Central Health Education Bureau [CHEB] a national level institute has the mandate of providing training in health education, conducting behavioral research studies and promoting health education activities through print and electronic media. The States also carry out health education through State Health Education Bureau and other institutions. CHEB has a budget of Rs. 3.15 crores for the year 2006-2007.

Emergency Service at Hospitals in Orissa

1274. SHRI SURENDRA LATH:
MS. PRAMILA BOHIDAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have given any financial assistance to hospitals which are around five km. of national highways to improve emergency services at hospitals;

(b) if so, how much funds have been allocated to different hospitals of Orissa, hospital-wise;